(c) Yes, Sir. The disbursement is not on the basis of tax collection from diesel consumed by any particular State including Gujarat.

(d) and (e) Under Bharat Nirman, target has been fixed for Gujarat to connect 978 habitations with 1710 kms of new link roads and to upgrade/ renew 4529 kms of existing rural roads by 2009. Adequate funds are being provided to the State Government under the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) for achieving the rural connectivity targets of Bharat Nirman.

Road connection to all villages

4553. SHRI SITARAM YECHURY: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Finance Minister in his Budget Speech 2005-06, had proposed to connect all villages that have a population of 1000 or 500 in hilly/tribal areas with a road; and

(b) the all weather roads that have been created so far out of the 1,46,185 kms. rural road required to connect all habitations with population 1000, 500 for hilly and tribal areas by 2008-09?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL): (a) and (b) The Finance Minister, in his Budget Speech of 28th February, 2005, identified rural roads as one of the six components of Bharat Nirman and has set a goal to provide connectivity to all villages with a population of 1000 (500 in the case of hilly or tirbal areas) with an all-weather road by 2008-09. 66,802 habitations would be provided new connectivity under Bharat Nirman. This would involve construction of 1,46,185 kms. of new link roads. In addition, Bharat Nirman envisages upgradation/renewal of 1,94,130 km of existing rural roads. The targets and achievements under Bharat Nirman for the years 2005-06 and 2006-07 are as under:—

Year	New Connectivity (in Km)		Upgradation (in km)*		Habitation	
	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement	Target	Achievement
2005-06	15492.4	18053.7	11394.40	3925.6	7034	5552
2006-07	35182.15	21422.85	54669.26	46129.90	16130	6775

*including renewal.